

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1652**

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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Rao et al.

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two months to respond to the Office 1. Action dated May 8, 2002. 2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.

Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)): 3.

	Total Months	Fee For Other	Fee for
	Requested	Than Small Entity	Small Entity
	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
	two months	\$400.00	\$200.00
	three months	\$920.00	\$460.00
	four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00
	five months*	\$1,960.00	\$980.00
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^{*}Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory

limit for response to an Official Action.

Fee Enclosed \$400.00

Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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